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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Further in response to the Official Action dated November 29, 2005 and the *Advisory Action* dated March 20, 2006, please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.